

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

THE GOVERNING COUNCIL

SEPTEMBER 8, 2016

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL held on September 8, 2016 at 8:45 a.m. in the Council Chamber, Simcoe Hall.

Present:

Ms Shirley Hoy (Chair)
Ms Jane Pepino (Vice-Chair)
Professor Meric S. Gertler (President)
Mr. Mohammad Amin
Mr. Harvey Botting
Mr. David N. Bowden
Dr. Catherine Bragg
Mr. P.C. Choo
Mr. Jeff P. Collins
Mr. Aidan H. Fishman
Ms Susan Froom
Mr. Gary D. Goldberg
Dr. Avrum I. Gotlieb
Professor Hugh P. Gunz
Mr. Brian K. Johnston
Prof. Bruce Kidd
Professor Paul Kingston
Professor Ernest W.N. Lam
Prof. Mark Lautens
Mr. Brian D. Lawson
Professor Jan K. Mahrt-Smith
Mr. Jorge May
Ms. Christine Moon
Mr. John Paul Morgan
Professor Cheryl Regehr
Ms Catherine Riddell
Professor Andrea M. Sass-Kortsak
Professor Elizabeth M. Smyth
Prof. Salvatore M. Spadafora
Mr. John Switzer
Mr. Andrew Szende
Professor Nicholas Terpstra

Mr. W. Keith Thomas
Professor Steven J. Thorpe
Mr. Bruce Winter
Ms. Samra Zafar

Ms Sheree Drummond, Secretary of the
Governing Council

Secretariat:

Ms Mariam Ali
Ms Cindy Ferencz-Hammond
Mr. Anwar Kazimi
Mr. Patrick McNeill
Ms Rena Prashad
Ms Amorell Saunders N'Daw
Ms Mae-Yu Tan
Mr. David Walders

Regrets:

Mr. Preet Banerjee
Ms Janet L. Ecker
Ms Zabeen Hirji
Ms Claire M.C. Kennedy
Mr. Mark Krembil
Mr. Nykolaj Kuryluk
Mr. David Alex I. Nyikos
Ms Melinda M. Rogers
Mr. Mark Henry Rowswell
Mr. Bingchen (Tony) Shan
Mr. Howard L. Shearer
Professor Janice Gross Stein

In Attendance:

Professor Vivek Goel, Vice-President, Research and Innovation
Professor Kelly Hannah-Moffat, Incoming Vice-President, Human Resources & Equity
Mr. David Palmer, Vice-President, Advancement
Professor Scott Mabury, Vice-President, University Operations
Ms Nadina Jamison, Executive Director, Stakeholder Relations & Strategic Priorities

Ms Sally Garner, Executive Director, Planning & Budget
Dr. Anthony Gray, Director, Strategic Research, Office of the President
Ms Archana Sridhar, Assistant Provost, Office of the Vice-President and Provost
Ms Meredith Strong, Director, Office of the Vice-Provost Students & Student Policy Advisor

IN ACCORDANCE WITH A DETERMINATION BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, PURSUANT TO SECTION 38 OF BY-LAW NUMBER 2 OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL, ITEMS 10-11 ON THE AGENDA WERE CONSIDERED BY THE GOVERNING COUNCIL *IN CAMERA*.

1) Chair's Remarks

The Chair welcomed members and guests to the first meeting of the Governing Council for the 2016-17 academic year. She reported that the Lieutenant Governor had issued the following orders in June, 2016:

That **Ms Catherine (Lo) Bragg** be appointed as a member of The Governing Council of the University of Toronto for a period of three years, effective July 1, 2016.

That **Mr. William Switzer** be appointed as a member of The Governing Council of the University of Toronto for a period of three years, effective September 1, 2016.

That **Mr. Mark Krembil** be reappointed as a member of The Governing Council of the University of Toronto for a period of three years, effective July 1, 2016.

That **Mr. Brian Lawson** be reappointed as a member of The Governing Council of the University of Toronto for a period of three years, effective July 1, 2016.

The Chair congratulated the new governors and thanked them for their willingness to serve the University.

2) Report of the President

The Chair invited the President to give his report. The President welcomed new and returning governors and remarked that he looked forward to getting to know the new governors. He acknowledged Ms Shirley Hoy, Chair of the Governing Council and Ms Jane Pepino, Vice-Chair of the Governing Council, who were both presiding over their first meeting in their new leadership positions and thanked them for undertaking these important roles. On behalf of the University administration, he thanked the governors for the work that they would be undertaking over the course of the coming governance year. He said that he was grateful to know that the Administration could count on such an esteemed and accomplished group of volunteers to assist in the University's work.

3) Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Chair reported that the Secretary had received an amendment to the minutes of June 23, 2016. A factual correction was made to item 4e, the Revision to the Business Board Terms of Reference (Section 5.1 (c)) – on page 12 of the minutes.

On a motion, duly moved, seconded, and carried,

IT WAS RESOLVED

THAT the minutes of the June 23 ,2016 meeting be approved.

4) Business Arising from Minutes of the Previous Meeting

There was no business arising from the minutes of the previous meeting.

5) Reports for Information

Members received the following reports for information:

a) Report on Approvals Under Summer Executive Authority

The Secretary reminded members that at the June 23, 2016 meeting the Governing Council had approved the annual delegation of authority to the President to act on behalf of the Governing Council during the summer months. A main purpose of this meeting was to bring an end to Summer Executive Authority and to report on any decisions made under this authority. The Secretary advised members that three matters had been approved under Summer Executive Authority: the appointment of the Co-Chair to the University Tribunal; the appointment of co-opted students to the Academic Board and to the Committee on Academic Policy and Programs; and, the appointment of a member and director of the University of Toronto Asset Management Corporation.

b) Report Number 483 of the Executive Committee (June 23, 2016)

6) Governing Council and Executive Committee Meeting Dates, 2016-17

The Secretary reported that scheduling conflicts with the Executive Committee and Governing Council meeting dates in June 2017 and with the spring 2017 convocation ceremonies necessitated a change in the meeting dates for those bodies.

On a motion duly moved, seconded and carried

IT WAS RESOLVED

THAT the revised 2016-2017 meeting dates for the Governing Council and the Executive Committee, as listed in the documentation provided, be approved.

7) Date of Next Meeting

The Chair advised members that the next Governing Council meeting was scheduled for Thursday, October 27, 2016, 4:30 p.m.

8) Question Period

A member informed governors that the Ontario Federation of Students (OFS) had called for a Day of Action on November 2, 2016 regarding the low levels of provincial funding for post-secondary

education. The member asked if the Administration would support students by ensuring that those who participated in the Day of Action would not be academically penalized for missing classes or tests. The President responded that he was pleased to hear about this year's initiative and that the Administration would consider the request noting that the Provost would follow-up on the matter.

9) Other Business

There was no other business.

The Committee moved *In Camera*.

10) Appointments: Members of the Governing Council to Governance Bodies, 2016-17

On a motion duly made, seconded, and carried

IT WAS RESOLVED

THAT Dr. Catherine (Lo) Bragg be appointed to the University of Toronto Scarborough Campus Council and to the Business Board from September 9, 2016 to June 30, 2017;

THAT Mr. Bingchen (Tony) Shan be appointed to the Academic Board from September 9, 2016 to June 30, 2017; and

THAT, Mr. John Switzer be appointed to the Pension Committee from September 9, 2016 to June 30, 2017.

11) Appointments: Membership of the Committee for Honorary Degrees, 2016-17

On a motion duly made, seconded, and carried

IT WAS RESOLVED

THAT Ms. Linlei Ye be appointed to the Committee for Honorary Degrees from September 9, 2016 to June 30, 2017.

The Governing Council returned to Open Session.

The meeting adjourned at 9:07 a.m.

Secretary

September 9, 2016

Chair